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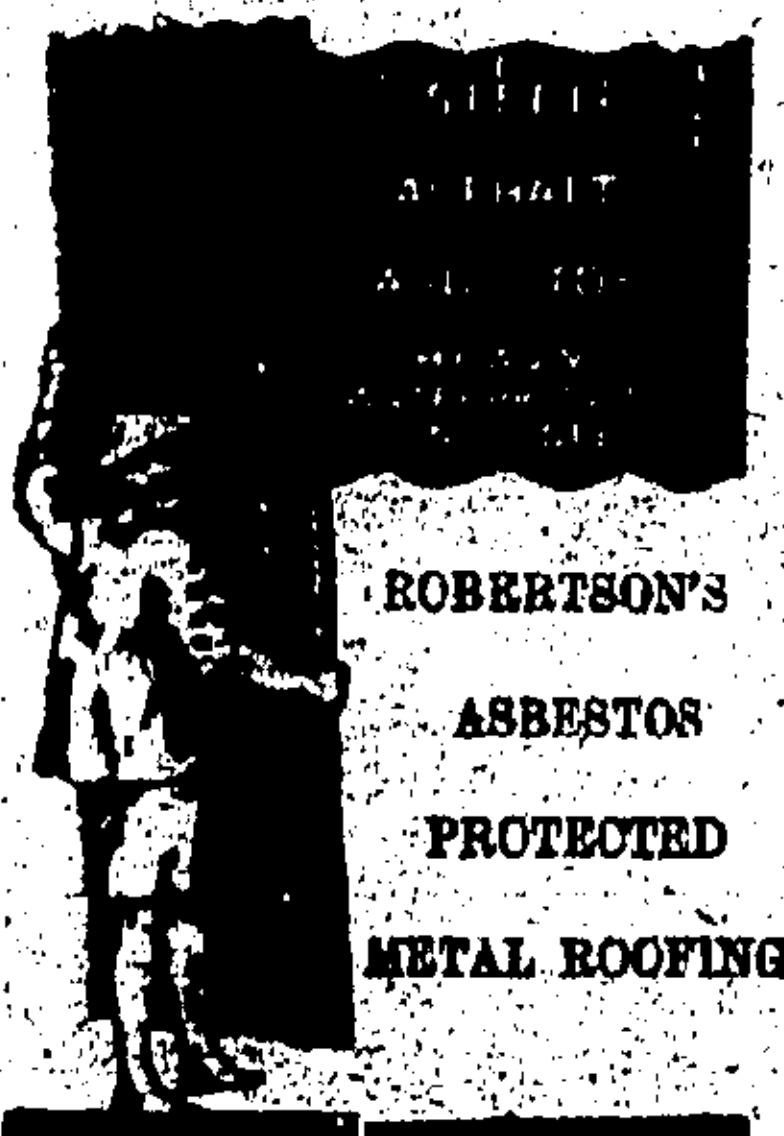
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STUDENT STRIKERS.

GOVERNMENT'S FIRM ATTITUDE. SENIORS EXPELLED.

The lead which was promised over a month ago on behalf of the Government with regard to striking students will probably be made public at the next meeting of the Board of Education, for the main lines of the Government's attitude have now been decided.

These, the "China Mail" learns officially, are that "strikers" will not be taken back to Government schools, the definition being applied in respect of students who were absent on certain days. As a notice has already appeared in the Chinese Press notifying, on behalf of the Queen's College authorities, that students who were absent on June 17, 18, 19 and 20 need not present themselves for admission it may be deduced that these are the dates considered crucial in respect of other Government Schools.

The Government will "only" enforce this expulsion in the case of students of 16 years of age and over, as it is considered that younger students may have absented themselves through intimidation; whereas senior students, after having the position fully explained to them, had no reason to act from motives of fear.

The co-operation among head masters which members of the Board of Education urged as necessary at the last meeting for any measures decided upon to prove effective is, in fact, in being, for a conference of head masters of all local schools was held yesterday at which the "China Mail" understands, it was agreed that non-Government schools would co-operate in excluding any expelled striking students who might apply for admission. The action taken by such non-Government schools in regard to any of their own students who associated themselves with the strike must of course rest with the head masters of those schools.

The fees in respect of Government Schools are to be increased as from the next school year, although the "China Mail" was assured officially that this was not a direct outcome of the strike but merely revision which would be considered necessary in any case.

"Caution" money will also, it is understood, be required from parents and guardians in the future (also as from the commencement of the next school year). This will be to guarantee the Government against any loss from unwarranted interference with the normal course of study and will be returned after the course of study is complete, providing the conduct of the student in question has been satisfactory.

CUT IN HALF.

STEAMSHIP RUNS DOWN JUNK.

BROTHERS DROWNED.

A Shaokwan junk was cut clean in half early yesterday morning by the s.s. Saruk, Maru which was about to enter Lye-mun pass and which was off Waglan at the time. Most of the crew were picked up by sampan but two younger members, who are believed to be brothers, were drowned.

The master of the Maru boat reported the occurrence at the Harbour Office.

This is the second junk run down by a steamship this week. HARBOR OFFENCES.

Three Chinese masters of steam launches were each fined \$10 or in default 10 days' imprisonment at the Harbour Office this morning for having them under weigh without a certificate engineer on board.

The same sentence was passed on the master of a trading junk which was found anchored in the prohibited area between Blakes and Star Ferry piers.

The activities of the Volunteer Defence Corps since its mobilization have been confined to the firing of military rifles, several parties having been detailed at week ends. On Sunday, part of the corps was to be drilled by the Infantry Company, on the Park road and part by the Artillery and Cavalry Companies at Stonecutters.

BORDER INCIDENT.

SHUMCHUN STILL HELD BY REDS.

TROOPS IN FLIGHT.

As far as can be ascertained from reliable sources, yesterday morning's fighting at Shumchun was, as already stated, not to have had more than local significance.

Police Headquarters are awaiting the receipt of further details from Lokmachau Station, where the firing was distinctly heard, but the latest news indicates that Shumchun is still in the hands of the Canton Government, and is not controlled by a rival faction as is generally supposed.

The "Red" Government at Canton suspected signs of disloyalty on the part of the troops at Shumchun, and accordingly ordered a commander on the East River to proceed there with a force and drive them out. This was accomplished yesterday morning when the local troops took to flight after a small engagement with the East River force.

The Whampoa Cadets, numbering about 100, who were near at hand, are reported to have taken no part in the fighting.

The commander who made

REDS FALL OUT?

HU HAN-MIN'S ARREST REPORTED.

SUN YAT-SEN'S WILL.

An extra by the "Wah Tsz Yat Po" issued this afternoon, broadly translated, reads:—

News has been received from Canton that Mr. Kankhan has sent a secret telegram to M. Borodin in which it is alleged that the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen's testament was signed by Wong Tsing-wai.

It is also alleged that both Wong Tsing-wai and Hu Han-min (former Governor and present Foreign Minister in Canton) have joined the Anti-Bolshevik party.

As a sequel to the assassination of Liu Chang-wei, the Whampoa Cadets sent a detachment on Tuesday to surround the Foreign Ministry. He is stated to have been detained. His brother, Hu Shi-ching is believed to have been forewarned and to have escaped. Another detachment failed to arrest Ngai Bong-ling but a Mr. Lum, a former Superintendent of the Canton-Kowloon Railway (Chinese section) is believed to have been detained.

The situation in Canton is critical.

PUBLIC MEETING.

"UNFORTUNATE EXPRES- SIONS" DEPRECATED.

STATEMENT BY CHAIRMAN.

(To the Editor of the China Mail)

Sir,—As Chairman of the Mass Meeting held on Tuesday, I addressed yesterday a letter to Mr. D. H. Cameron of the Standard Oil Company as a representative American who was present at that meeting, expressing my very sincere regret at the unfortunate expressions given vent to by one of the speakers, at the same time assuring him that I feel sure most Americans present and in Hongkong will have realised may be, namely, that it in no sense reflects the opinion of the British Community here, who have, over a course of many years, enjoyed valued friendships amongst the American community, and have the highest respect for them.

Since the matter has been referred to in the Press it is perhaps desirable that this should also be publicly made known.

Had I realised that the Speaker's remarks would be taken seriously

COURT MARTIAL.

A "PAINS IN THE STOMACH" QUERY.

ARMY DOCTOR'S EXPLANATION.

"Is gastritis the same as what is popularly known as 'pains in the stomach'?" asked Captain C. J. F. Bensley, R.A., when cross-examining Captain R. F. Walker, M.C., R.A.M.C., at a District Court Martial at Whitfield Barracks, Kowloon, this morning.

Captain Walker was giving medical evidence as to the results of alcoholic poisoning. He explained that gastritis was in the stomach. People often spoke of "pains in the stomach," he continued, when they actually referred to the abdomen and in this was the distinction.

Major W. P. A. Hattersley-Smith, D.S.O., R.A., was President. The other members of the Court were Captain P. H. Drake-Brockman, Surrey Regiment and Lieut. B. R. Wright-Neville, 2nd Punjab.

Sergeant Samuel Robson, 38th Heavy Battery, R.A., pleaded "not guilty" to a charge of being drunk on August 8 at 10.45 p.m., and a second charge of being unfit for duty for nine days through indulgence in liquor.

Captain Bensley was the prosecutor and Lieut. H. L. C. Hall, R.A., acted as prisoner's counsel.

Battery Sergeant-Major Brice gave evidence that he saw accused helplessly drunk in the sergeants' mess. When accused complained of being ill, Battery Quartermaster-Sergeant Moore and Lieut. Bdr. Dunne helped to remove him to hospital.

B.Q.M.S. Moore gave corroborative evidence. Major Pollard, R.A.M.C., of the Kowloon Military Hospital said that accused was rather excited when he got to hospital, smelt of alcohol and had acute pains in the stomach.

The next day, accused was sent over to the Military Hospital at Bowen Road. There he was treated by Captain Walker, who said that the pains complained of were due to alcoholic poisoning. When accused started to cross-examine Captain Walker's discussion, in which Major Hattersley-Smith participated, ensued as to what effect brandy would have on pains in the stomach and as to which specific part of the body was meant when the word "stomach" was used. The query by the prosecutor led to the answer which has already been mentioned.

On oath, accused told the Court that he suffered from chronic indigestion, that his depression was due to trouble at home, that he had a severe attack of gastritis when coming out on the boat and that his health had been further impaired by the increased consumption of tinned foods since the strike began. On the day, in question he felt ill and sent for some brandy. He had reason to believe that the brandy was of very inferior quality, thus causing his condition as he took very little. In reply to the President, accused mentioned the brand. Accused also emphasised his good conduct.

The Court returned a verdict of "guilty." Sentence will be promulgated.

STOP PRESS.

TRAGIC TOKYO.

HEAVY RAINS CAUSE DISASTER.

(British Service)

Tokyo, August 27.

Yesterday afternoon's rain resulted in 40,000 houses being damaged in Tokyo, with 1,000 people homeless.

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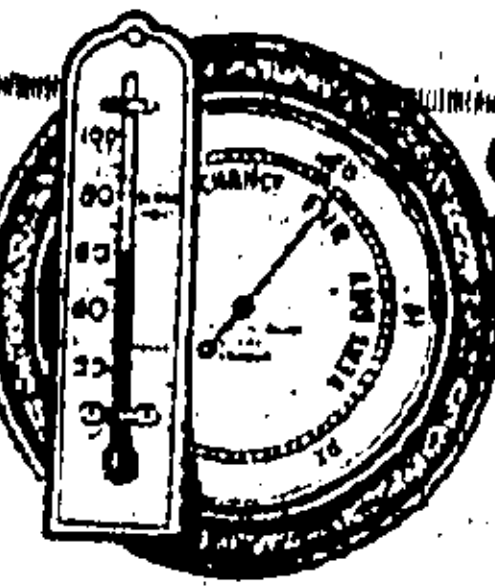
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The General Rubber Co. purchase from us our total production of Rubber and take delivery of same daily on the railway at our Estate in Latex form.

The price for 1st Latex to be decided monthly and to be the average London market price for No. 1 smoked sheet.

A deduction of 3d. per lb. to be allowed to the General Rubber Co. in lieu of manufacture.

Off grades to be manufactured at the General Rubber Company's factory at a charge of 6d. 0.04 per lb. Railway freight to their factory for our account.

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Orders have been secured by Messrs. Cammell-Laird and Co., Birkenhead, for three steamers of 12,000 tons each from the Blue Star Line. John Brown and Co., of Clydebank, have also received an order for two of the same class.

Two smaller boats have also been placed with Palmer's Shipbuilding and Iron Co., Ltd., of Highbury-on-Tyne, and two with Lithgow, Ltd., of Port Glasgow.

It was known two months ago, on the statement of Sir Edmund Vestey, joint owner with Lord Vestey, of the Blue Star Line, Ltd., that the orders had then been placed with Messrs. Lithgow and with Messrs. Palmer.

The contracts for the remainder have since been a matter for negotiation which has ended with the allocation of the vessels in the Birkenhead yard and the yard of John Brown and Co., at Clydebank.

Originally only eight vessels were called for, but another apparently has been added, and the cost will be in the neighbourhood of £8,000,000.

Towards this the Blue Star Line owners are paying £300,000 out of their own pockets because, as Sir Edmund Vestey said, "We believe it is in the interest of the country we should make this sacrifice."

Yet this sacrifice was necessary if the contract had to be kept in the United Kingdom, where the lowest tenders were £20,000 higher on each ship than on the tenders received from German and Dutch firms.

Birkenhead also hopes to gain a contract for one or more of the new cruisers which the Admiralty hopes to lay down shortly. Cammell-Lairds have made a speciality of warship construction, and Mr. R. S. Johnson, managing director, declares that his firm will quote for construction as the programme for the Admiralty develops.

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INSURANCE NOTES.

Last Year's Results.

A general survey of the results achieved by insurance companies last year, shows that life insurance was prosperous in 1924, but as most of the surplus in this class goes in the shape of bonuses to policy holders, it does not contribute on a large scale towards profits. Fire insurance was fairly profitable, despite the fact that results from business in the United States was not favourable. Accident and miscellaneous insurance was more profitable than in 1924, but marine insurance remained in a depressed condition, and shows little sign of improvement.

Even since the war the increase in the number of new life insurance policies has been remarkably constant. The best year was 1920, and one would naturally expect that with depression in trade and general conditions which followed there would have been a considerable falling off in the numbers taking out life and endowment assurances. But even after four years of depression we find that in 1924 the new business of the life office fell, in the aggregate, very little short of that of 1920, and in several individual cases was actually better.

As compared with 1923 the number of policies effected was in many cases larger and the amounts of new assurances were generally greater. This, however, was to some extent due to the unusually large amounts of life and endowment assurance taken out by single premiums. On the whole we find that there has been a steady reduction in the cost of carrying on life insurance ever since 1920. Rates of mortality of assured lives appear to be steadily improving and already revised annuity tables are coming into use.

The fairly good results in Fire insurance, despite the poor surplus shown on business in America, have been due to freedom from serious disaster in home and foreign fields. In the wider categories of accident and miscellaneous insurance, American business is of great importance. The total premium derived by the leading British companies from accident, workmen's compensation, motor insurance, burglary, etc., amounts to about £43 millions, towards which the United States makes a large contribution. It is obvious therefore, that the results shown by America are of great importance. The year 1924, though not yielding large surpluses, was on the whole better than in 1923.

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stomach and rheumatic pains are some
of the ailments for which it is especially
valuable. It can be purchased every-
where.**AFTER THE STRIKE.**LESSONS THAT MUST BE
REMEMBERED.Commenting on the fact that the
strike in Hongkong has subsided
sufficiently to allow the volunteers
there to be demobilized, and that it
is less severe in Shanghai, as wit-
ness the departure of several
steamers, the "Central China Post,"
brings up the important point of
what the employer is going to do
to safeguard himself from strikes in
the future, notes the "North-
China Daily News." The account
it gives of the Chinese mind in con-
nection with strikes and so forth is
plain and comprehensive. The
Chinese believe that they can go
on strike when they like, and
when they come back will receive
their old jobs again and be paid in
full for the time when no work was
done. All of which is part and
parcel of the present Chinese belief
that they can do what they like
with foreigners, shoot them and all
the rest of it, but retaliation on the
part of the foreigners becomes a
heinous crime. We have certainly
seen this attitude to the full dur-
ing these past two and a half
months, and a perusal of the news
latterly shows that it has had the
effect of leading the irresponsible
element into still more criminal
acts. Naturally all the advantages
the with those who imitate such
surprise attacks, until the forces of
law and order have time to adapt
themselves to the ever-changing
conditions, and a few minor suc-
cesses, though counting for nothing
in the long run, naturally stimulate
the appetite of this people carrying
them out. And it is right to ask
whether this form of lawlessness, or
rather in a greater or lesser degree,
is to be continued after the con-
flict over the main issue of the
present crisis has been settled. We
can see a distinct danger of it, just
as our Hainan contemporary does,
and it has to be admitted that notes
Peking have not so far affected
any material improvement. There
is the danger of this spirit of
violence becoming a permanent
feature of Chinese industrial life, and if so
it will have a far-reaching and de-
vastating effect on her material
prosperity.**CHINA PERILS.**WESLEYAN REVIEW OF
POSITION.At the Wesleyan Conference in
London, the Rev. C. W. Andrews,
secretary of the Wesleyan Mission-
ary Society, in a statement on
missions, surveyed the situation in
China.He said that in the Southern area
schools, hospitals, and other build-
ings had been evacuated and all
missionaries withdrawn, mostly to
Hongkong or Japan, and the work
was in the care of Chinese friends.
All their missionaries throughout
China were safe. In Central
China there had been great dis-
turbances. Missionaries had been
evacuated, and all establishments
evacuated. The Wesleyan College,
accommodating 250 pupils, was
evacuated, and also the girls'
schools. Missionaries were confined
in compounds, and were fed by
Chinese friends. The position was
precarious. The whereabouts of
some missionaries were unknown,
but all those of their society were
safe.The Rev. Gilbert Warren, just
returned from China, attributed the
anti-Christian and anti-British
movement to Bolshevism chiefly
centred in Canton. This movement
was engineered by students, who
had got swollen heads. The
seriousness of the position was that
no civil or military official in China
had the slightest right to his position.
The only hope they could see
for the Church in China was that
God would overcome their difficulties.
The Conference engaged in silent
prayer for China and other
missions.A discussion in the afternoon cen-
tered on temperance and social wel-
fare. The Rev. H. Martin said
that in October it was intended to
make the "Young Methodist Tem-
perance Appeal." He thought the
battle against drink could be won
in this generation. He proposed a
resolution requesting the Secretary
of State for the Colonies to take
measures to frustrate the activities
of the Bahamas International Tradi-
ng Company, Ltd., who, he stated,
promoted the violation of the Pro-
hibition Law of America. This
company had issued a prospectus
soliciting share capital in Britain
for the development of the liquor
trading business in the Bahamas
Islands.Sir Robert Perks thought they
would get more to the root of the
evil if they were to approach ship-
owners and underwriters, and get
them to refuse to carry contraband
liquor to the States.The resolution was carried. It
was also decided to write to Col.
Amey asking him to assist in stop-
ping the export of liquor.Paris, August 26.—The Official
Gazette publishes a decree pro-
mulgating the Washington
Treaty concerning China.
Havas Agency.**NO NEW ERA.**SCIENCE FOR THE HUMAN
RACE.

LENGTHY REVIEW.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 26.

In his presidential address to the
British Association at Southampton,
Professor Horace Lamb discussed
the nature and purpose of Science.
He gave for his opinion that the
quarter exhibiting suspicion and
dislike of science was now political
rather than ecclesiastical as had
been the habit. Sober and accurate
analysis promoted by science was
not always favourable to social and
economic theories resting mainly on
an emotional basis.Referring to the disappointment
and disillusion sometimes expressed
that science had not produced a new
era of prosperity and international
reconciliation, Prof. Lamb pointed
out that science was not able to
improve human nature, but he claimed
that science had tended to in-
crease intellectual, material and
even aesthetic possessions of the
world.Dealing particularly with geophy-
sics, Prof. Lamb regretted that the
observational side was neglected in
England and paid tribute to the
Geodetic Geographical work done in
a most efficient survey of India.He alluded to the institution of a
leadership of Geodesy at Cambridge
University, whereby he hoped a
gravity survey of the British Isles
would be initiated while with co-
operation of the Navy he hoped a
gravity chart of the World, hitherto
almost a blank as regards the ocean,
might gradually be filled in. He
repeated the present inactivity in
the way of interpretation of seismic
records.**INDIAN FINANCE.**"INDEPENDENTS" IGNORE
WARNING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Simla, August 26.

Repercussions of the Viceroy's
speech are contained in Simla's
Assembly having carried by a
vote of 64 to 45 a motion of
Jinnah, the leader of the in-
dependents, for the adjournment
of the House. He expressed dis-
satisfaction with the currency
commission under the chairman-
ship of Mr. Hilton Young. The
motion was carried despite the
warning of Sir Basil Blackett,
the finance member, that it
amounted to a vote of censure on
the personnel of the commission.In the course of the debate
several young Swarajists averred
that India's currency policy was
guided by British and not by
Indian interests and therefore
demanded the addition to the
Commission of more Indians com-
manding public confidence. Sir
Basil Blackett pointed out that
the Commission meant to serve
the interests of India as a whole
and not any particular interest.
He contended that the Commis-
sion was well constituted, but the
Government would consider the
Assembly's opinion.Sir Devavar Vadhikari tabled
the Council of State resolution for
the selection of a few elected
members to form the nucleus of a
convention to frame a constitu-
tion for British India.**RIFFIAN WAR.**FRENCH AIR FORCE
REPORTS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, August 26.

A communiqué from Fez says
that the Branes counter-attacked
with hand grenades and bayonets
on the left flank, but were finally
repulsed.An important meeting of kaid
and Riff chiefs was held at Kela.
The object of the meeting has not
transpired.The Air Force report a re-
crudescence of enemy activity on
the whole front in the western
sector, though no engagement has
yet taken place.A Tangier message reports that
Abd el Krim is reinforcing the
Western front with a view to an
offensive to be directed by his
brother. Abd el Krim is also
fortifying the coast against a
possible landing east of Tetuan.**THE "RED FLAG."**UNEMPLOYED MINERS
MAKE TROUBLE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 26.

An unsuccessful application for
unemployment benefit caused 300
miners of the Clapham colliery,
Durham, who had been idle for
eleven weeks, to march last night
to the residence of an official.They sang the "Red Flag" and
threw stones, one of which struck
a policeman. The march was
to headquarters without further
incident.**SHANGHAI RIOT.**CHINESE POLICE FORCED
TO FIRE.

DISORDERLY COMRADES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, August 26.

About a quarter of the opera-
tives in the Japanese cotton mills
resumed work to-day.The situation at the wharves is
nearly normal.The Chinese police arrested four
workmen from the dockyard in
the Chinese city for assaulting a
garbage cooler. Comrades of the
arrested men demanded their re-
lease, and to the number of 180
assembled outside the Police
Station and refused to depart.
The police fired into the air. The
crowd treated this action with
derision, whereupon the police
fired in earnest, killing two and
wounding three or four. The
crowd then dispersed.**FORMAL SPEECHES.**SINO-RUSSIAN CONFERENCE
BEGIN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, August 26.

Following a long conference
with C. T. Wang who returned
from the south yesterday after-
noon, M. Karakhan has decided to
postpone his departure to Moscow
until to-morrow and the inaugural
ceremony in connection with the
Sino-Russian conference will be
held this afternoon. It is believed
the proceedings will be purely
formal.

Later.

The inauguration ceremony of
the Sino-Russian Conference
began at seven this evening.
Speeches are being delivered of a
formal nature. Proceedings were
uninterrupted at half past eight.**MUTINY ECHO.**TROUBLE ON FRENCH
CRUISER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, August 26.

The incidents leading up to the
court-martial on the Courbet
occurred in June during a cruise
from Toulon to Naples.Grumblers at the food were
refused shore leave at Naples.
At a meeting of engine-room
hands, it was decided to refuse to
get up steam when they sailed for
Oran. The captain ordered armed
marines to surround the
mutineers whose ring-leaders were
arrested and the ship sailed.
Communist origin of the revolt
is suspected.**CANTON EMBARGO.**JAPAN CONSIDERS REPORT
UNFOUNDED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, August 26.

The Foreign Office states that a
report has just been received
from the Canton Consul regard-
ing the Anglo-Japanese shipping
embargo. He avers that the
"Canton Gazette" published the
alleged details but investigations
indicate that no such act was
promulgated by the Canton
Government.**H.M.S. EFFINGHAM.**FAREWELL ON COMING
TO FAR EAST.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 26.

Large crowds of wives and
sweethearts waved farewell to
the crew of the East Indies flag-
ship Effingham on leaving Ports-
mouth for the Far East.**REPULSE BAY HOTEL**The management beg to announce that
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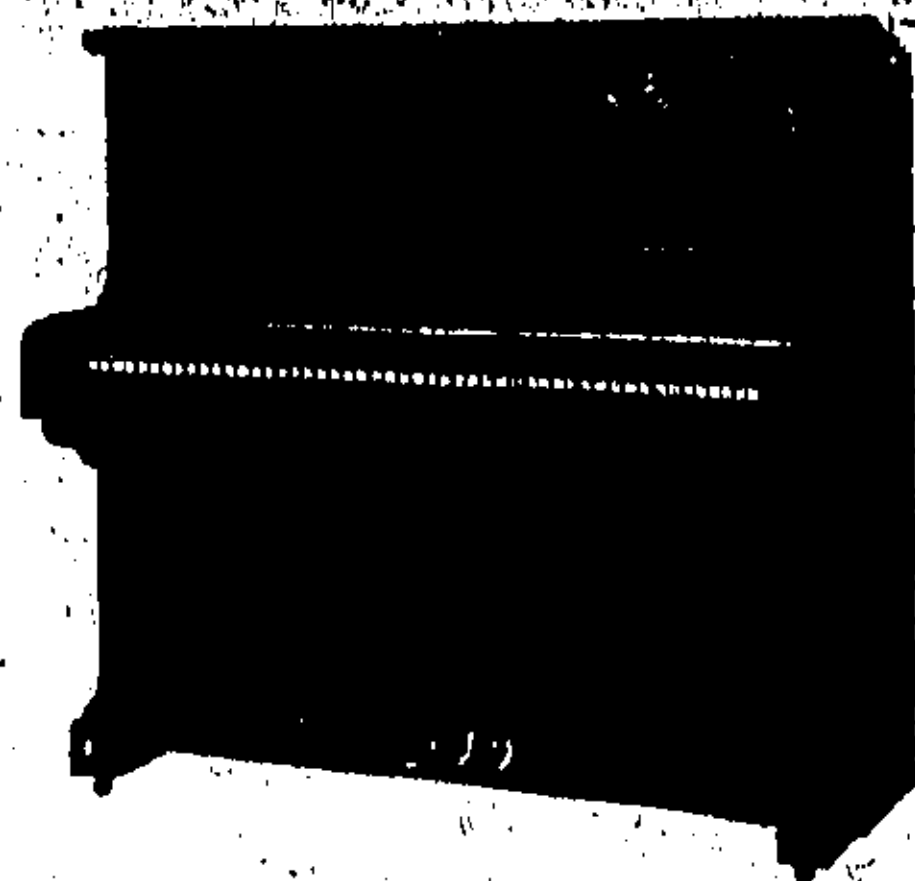
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Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kom-tong desire to thank the St. John's Ambulance Corps, Boy Scouts Division of the Saiyungpun School, relatives and friends for their letters of sympathy, attendance and floral tributes at the funeral of their son, Ho Sai-on.

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GETTING TOGETHER.

Pecksniffian as it may seem, there is at least one thing to be counted to us for righteousness. The Pharisee thanked God he was not as other men. . . . even as this Pharisee. We may reasonably thank God we are not as other men in the dispute in which we are unwilling but determined participants. There has been no reciprocity. Walter Brishers have suffered stinging insult and in some cases have been in danger of their lives. The Chinese

It cannot possibly attach itself to the suggestion of an International Club. The very name is so suggestive of its intent, that space need not be taken up in arguing in its favour. Neither a League nor a Club is likely to bring in the millennium, or settle a strike or an outbreak. It would be foolish to make this claim for them. But, in the case of a Club, it would afford a means for those who, in the main, are responsible for the "life-blood" of the Colony—its trade and commerce—getting into touch one with the other, and so lessening the feeling of cold and studied isolation, making one party lean to the opinion that so far as business is concerned, he and his confederates, were all right, but after that they faded from the scheme of things. Perhaps a thought will be given to the possibilities here suggested when the normal comes to be our daily lot again.

Learning Malay.

We started away in Indian file. That is to say, I had one man in front of me; then I came; then the coolies, carrying my baggage. . . . Finally we reached a river and found two boats waiting for us. The Malays built sunshades over the boats and placed a mattress at the bottom of my boat, and off we went.

The boat was a very gracefully carved dugout, about twenty-five feet long and three feet wide. The deck was made of strips of bamboo, and in the bow were running boards for the four coolies who poled the boat. In the stern was a kajang, or roofed structure, underneath which I lay in comfort, upon a mattress, with the kamudi, or steersman, behind me. As I couldn't speak the Malay language, I felt extraordinarily helpless with six Malays who couldn't speak a word of English. The sixth was a young fellow about seventeen called Sahar, the colour of chocolate, with straight black hair, beautiful teeth, and dressed in a most gorgeous silk sarong.

Sahar eyed me all over, then said something in Malay which caused roars of laughter. Suddenly, I remembered that I knew two words of the Malay language: apa, meaning "what," and nama, meaning "name." So I got out a pencil and notepad, and pointing at the water, I said, "Apa nama?" Sahar immediately said, "Ayer." I hurriedly scribbled down in my little book, "Water-ayer." Then I touched a piece of wood and said, "Apa nama?" And Sahar said, "Kayu." And again I wrote down in my little book, "Wood-kayu." Then I touched Sahar's head, and I said, "Kuyou!" The four other Malays roared with laughter and I appreciated at once that my joke had amply repaid me for the joke Sahar had had at my expense; in fact, already I could joke in Malay! As a matter of fact, with the aid of those two words, apa nama, I acquired an excellent vocabulary, and I discovered that by stringing the words together in the same order as English I could, usually make myself understood. Of course, it took a few years to speak Malay even very poorly, but only a few hours to make myself understood.—Carveth Wells, in "Six Years in the Malay Jungle."

THEY SAY THAT—

A man may be festooned with the whole haberdashery of success, and go to his grave a castaway.—Mr. Rudyard Kipling.

I am yearning for one word of appreciation from the nations who would be vassal States were it not for the British Fleet.—Mr. Lloyd George.

I am one of those who would far rather sink with faith than swim without it.—Mr. Baldwin.

I think this present generation will probably see human institutions put to as severe a test as they have ever seen.—General Smuts.

Women have one admirable rule in dress: it is—whatever is being worn is right.—Mr. Robert Lynd.

I unfortunately suffer from a mind that is quite useless in politics.—Mr. S. M. Bruce (Prime Minister of Australia).

In Russia at the present time there is no Communism.—Professor Pipp.

The other day I was told that by "listening-in," I could hear people cough in America. I would rather hear a thrush singing in England.—Mr. F. B. Mallin.

Socialists may be idealists, but they are not idiots.—Mr. Sidney Webb.

I am not what would be called a Stevensonian, in the full sense.—Mr. Thomas Hardy.

Read one paper, and you become prejudiced; read all and you become mad.—Mr. P. M. Oliver.

We have no more moral right to allow a man in industry to affect the working lives of thousands of people without proper training than to allow a medical man to affect the lives of two or three hundred without adequate training.—Mr. Henry B. Dunsen.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

Hongkong and Kowloon residents who know what it is to be roused from slumber in the early hours of the morning by blowings of bugles, etc., will appreciate the following letter sent to a Tientsin paper recently:—

"WE THANK YOU"

(To the Editor of the P. & T. Times.)

Sir,—May I, through your columns, thank the full military band which, from a very early hour, played with such enthusiasm beneath my bedroom window in the Hongkong Road district this morning. How they ascertained that it was the occasion of my birthday is a mystery to me, but it was a kindly thought to aid me to enjoy one hour more of so auspicious a day. I am afraid I did not trouble to get out of bed to see who my unknown friends were, as I was fully engaged in keeping the children from crying, and so I trust they will take this as sufficient acknowledgment.

I shall not be having a birthday next year.

Yours faithfully,

SOMNOLUS.

The following, from an C.C.C. American paper will be read with some interest. In view of what has taken place, the last five words are particularly noteworthy:—

Quite striking is the characterisation of the Canton Christian College, at Canton, China, by Philip N. Youtz, a former member of its teaching staff, in Current History Magazine, as a "powerful broadcasting station for modern thought, as well as a model of higher living." The college is not entirely a foreign institution, as it is conducted jointly by Chinese and American educators, the professors on the faculty representing no less than fifteen denominations, thirty American and European universities and two races. It is hence with no little interest that one reads that in this institution may be found "many of the finest traditions and customs of American university life adapted to the needs of awakening China." This awakening of China is without doubt destined to be one of the great events of the near future, and when it is realised that the boys who graduate from the various departments will contribute much to it, a feeling of satisfaction may be felt that it is in good hands.

Followers of Mr. Jiggs Justified.

Jiggs in the "China Mail" should surely be interested in the ascendancy of corned beef and cabbage in New York. Oh, the roast beef of England, and old England's roast beef! wrote Fielding in the Grim Street Opera. And now comes along a poll, taken among 1,000,000 restaurant patrons

by the United Restaurant Owners Association, showing that corned beef and cabbage is the leader over all other dishes as New York City's favourite. It appears that sugar-cured ham has been running a close second, while the old stand-by, ham and eggs, is practically ignored by those voting. An interesting feature of the situation is that vegetable dinners have proved popular.

A loaf of bread, the Walrus said, Is what we chiefly need: Pepper and vinegar besides— Are very good indeed— Now, if you're ready, Oysters, dear, We can begin to feed.

Civilisation is an excellent thing. Its growth indicates an advance in the condition of mankind.

But civilisation is relative, as this little tale proves. The scene of this little incident is laid in a mining town "out West." It was one of those little groups of shacks that spring up so rapidly, almost overnight when any new deposits of gold are discovered.

Two prospectors had met to have a drink and a chat when the day's work was done.

"I hear that Black Jack went to Casey's saloon last night and shot four men," remarked one man to the other.

"What for?" asked the second man.

"What for?" said the first. "Is this town getting that civilised that a fellow's got to give a reason for every little thing he does?"

A Shanghai cook who ONE WAY, had no wish to obey CERTAINLY, the strike call found a way out. He told his "missie" about it on returning from market. His story was about as follows: "Strike man he say 'Spouse master b'long French, all it's spous b'long Melican, all it's can workee. For English master no can workee. English b'long velly bad.' My talkee, 'My master no b'long English, he b'long Scotch.' Strike man talkee, 'all it's can do.'"

Hongkong's foreign beggars must be hard put to it to tell a convincing tale and thus raise contributions.

At Home, one has been stopped by a fluent person to say that he had walked 30 miles from say—Birmingham—and was tired out and hungry. It seldom failed as a story of hardship. In Hongkong that sort of thing cannot be done.

A beggar in Hongkong is "down and out" indeed. But still there is a tale to be told—a sort of, "I have a song to sing—o"—and very often it comes off. It came off on a tram car the other evening when one of two massive productions of manhood, obtained ten cents as the result of two minutes conversation.

Ten minutes later the combination was noticed in Ice House Street one standing idly by whilst the other was busily making a speech to someone he had "held up."

Is this a reflection of strike conditions or are our hardy ones feigning the heat?

THE QUACK.

The doctors in their general assembly have been considering ways and means of abolishing the quack, observes the "Daily Telegraph" (London). It was proposed to seek such an amendment of the Medical Acts that no person without the accepted professional qualification should be allowed to practice medicine or surgery. To this the answer was made that, by so stringent a rule, the chemist would be forbidden to offer a draught of carbonate of soda or val volatile, the helpful friend to recommend the régime which he had himself found grateful and comforting. The public, we must allow, would not submit to these restrictions, and no doubt, the assembly did wisely to do nothing. But a good deal of sympathy will be felt, and should be felt, with the complaint against quacks. We have no difficulty in believing Dr. Manson's stories of the impudence of modern quackery, and we quite agree with him that "many people are sent to jail for offences much less serious than those committed by these unqualified practitioners. The offence of obtaining money under false pretences is, in fact, only a small part of the injury done by the quack. His destruction of confidence in the scientific treatment of disease, and the incalculable increase of suffering and loss. Patients who might have been cured remain under his hands till it is too late or till he has aggravated the evil." Many foolish people are persuaded that the quack has some mysterious power denied to science, and when ill-necesses come, try anything rather than rational treatment. Yet we must agree with Dr. Hawthorne that the matter is not to be remedied by drastic rules against unqualified

practitioners. The quack, as he says, we have had always with us, and, probably, we always shall. There will always be people who expect to be cured by magic, who prefer the charlatan's promise of swift and easy salvation to the slow and difficult processes of medical treatment; and until medical science has solved all its problems, there is a strong temptation to believe that the plausible empiric has hit upon the secret which is hidden from the orthodox practitioners. The rogue of the quack is the consequence of the nature of man. But we may venture to hint that the medical profession without laws or regulations could make it more difficult than it is for him to find votaries. Let them with individual patients and the general public, avoid all unnecessary mystery, talk a language understood by the ordinary man, and trust him with as much information as possible about his own case, and the power of medical science in such cases. This attitude to quacks and quackery is knowledge.

QUEENLY THOUGHTS.

CYCLONE SUFFERERS TO BENEFIT.

CALL TO DUTYMAN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Hague, August 26.

The Queen has expressed a wish that collections be made in Holland on her birthday for sufferers in the cyclone, mentioned on August 10. It is hoped that Dutchmen abroad will meet Her Majesty's wishes.

FRANCE'S DEBT.

BRITISH CABINET'S DECISION.

THE DIFFICULTIES OF THE SITUATION.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 26.

There was a surprisingly large attendance at to-day's special meeting of the Cabinet, considering the holidays.

Prior to the Cabinet meeting M. Caillaux visited Mr. Austen Chamberlain at the Foreign Office. Mr. Chamberlain had previously lengthily conversed with the American Ambassador, it is believed not merely as regards Debt Negotiations, but the Security Pact and the situation in China.

While Mr. Houghton has not been instructed to participate in the debt discussions, he is making unofficial enquiries as to their progress.

M. Caillaux, this afternoon interviewed Mr. Montagu Norman and Mr. Reginald McKenna.

Britain's Offer.

The Government has authorised Mr. Winston Churchill finally to offer a settlement of the French debt on the basis of 62 annual payments of £12,500,000 on the sole responsibility of France subject to an agreement on details and governing the condition of proportionate and equal treatment by France of her creditors.

M. Caillaux reserved his opinion but promised to submit the proposals to the French Government.

A Moratorium.

Mr. Churchill, commenting on the official statement embodying the offer, said negotiations had not been broken off.

M. Caillaux, in a statement says Mr. Churchill agreed to concede a partial moratorium until 1930 but only partly accepted by the French who demand this stipulation is essential to any arrangement. The transfer of annual payments should be suspended in the event of their threatening to disturb the exchanges.

M. Caillaux expressed the opinion so that guarantees should be given that France should in nowise have to pay the allied and associated Powers higher sums than she received from Germany.

He remarked that conversations were merely interrupted and he did not doubt there would be a final conclusion to an arrangement.

France's Responsibility.

Later.

An official statement embodying the British Debt offer says negotiations entered a new phase three weeks ago when the Cabinet authorised Mr. Churchill to propose to the French Government that France's net obligation should in principle be halved, which involved the payment of £16,000,000 annually during 62 years of British payments to America.

The British proposal contemplated a portion of the French payment being dependent on the yield of the Dawes annuities, and it was in response to this offer that M. Caillaux visited London where it was proposed that France pay in principle a third of her debt to Britain which means 62 annuities of £10,000,000 on France's sole responsibility.

Britain's Concern.

Though the proposal is a noteworthy advance on previous French suggestions, the gap between the two proposals remains wide and unbridged.

The position is further complicated by impending negotiations of the payment of the French debt to America on which Britain at the outset made it perfectly clear that Britain must receive from France proportionate *pari passu* payments. France might make to America. In this respect therefore, and Franco-British agreement could only be provisional pending the outcome of other negotiations. Britain however is deeply concerned in the revival of the appeasement of Europe, and felt bound to respond to the ally's offer and authorised Mr. Churchill to make the offer already cabled.

(Earlier Cables.)

London, August 26.

Pessimism is prevalent in London and Paris on the subject of the Churchill-Caillaux conversations. The Cabinet meets in London to-day, presided over by Mr. Chamberlain when Mr. Churchill will report on the progress made in the conversations with M. Caillaux, concerning which Mr. Baldwin, who is on the continent, is kept informed. M. Caillaux is consulting his French experts this morning and meets Mr. Churchill after the Cabinet meeting.

Financial circles in London

RUSSIAN TRADE.

PLACING ORDERS IN ENGLAND.

TEXTILE MACHINERY WANTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 26.

A delegation from the Textile Syndicate of Russia expect to conclude in a few days negotiations with leading Lancashire firms for textile machinery, after which some proceed to France whose Minister of Commerce they say offered them every assistance in the matter of credits. Others remain in London to continue negotiations with Lancashire and Yorkshire firms.

Members of the Delegation, interviewed, declared they had already signed contracts with three Lancashire firms involving a considerable sum, and added they were anxious to place orders in England in spite of the more attractive offers made by Germany. No orders have hitherto been placed in Germany.

FRENCH REVERSE.

STRONG POSITIONS EVACUATED.

HEAVY LOSSES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Jerusalem, August 26.

It is reliably learned that following a heavy engagement in which the Druses forced the French to evacuate Khirbat el Ghazal in the north of Damascus, there was another heavy engagement last night. A French column, advancing south-east to Ezma was compelled to evacuate strong positions, the Druses following up the retreating French. The latter's losses were heavy. An armoured car and aeroplane were destroyed. French aeroplanes are bombarding a village near Ezma.

"UEBER ALLES."

BELGIANS HAVE THE RUHR.

GREAT REJOICINGS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Cologne, August 26.

The Belgians handed over Duisburg and the Ruhrort bridge-head at midnight, completing the evacuation of the sanctions area. Church bells in the three towns rang, and cafés and cabarets were allowed to open all night long. The orchestra at midnight played "Deutschland Ueber Alles" to a prodigious vocal accompaniment.

Peking, August 26.—The vernacular papers persistently report that the Sino-Belgian franc case is nearing settlement. It is unofficially stated that an exchange of Notes on the subject is probable on September 1, but official circles are reticent.—Reuter.

Peking, August 26.—M. Cerruti, on behalf of the interested Powers recently handed in a Note to the Waichiaopou dated August 22, in reference to China's request regarding the Mixed Court of Shanghai. It is semi-officially stated that the Note was merely a matter of routine and that it is not intended to make it available for publication.—Reuter.

criticise the British official silence as occasioning rumours prejudicial to the negotiations. Most of the rumours contemplate a breakdown but the statement is credited to M. Caillaux last night that they are working "to get something on paper." This is regarded as indicating that it is not so much a final settlement as a clarification of position that is being sought. It is understood that Britain is asking for annual payments of £20,000,000 and that France is offering £10,000,000.

French Opinion.

Paris, August 26.

The French correspondents in London agree that the conversations yesterday closed in a pessimistic atmosphere, particularly on the British side. "Le Petit Parisien" says that even a general agreement does not seem possible now, but this need not cause alarm as the present conversations are the beginning and not the end.

"Figaro" says that neither M. Caillaux nor Mr. Churchill is blameworthy for agreement on the figures is impossible while the common creditor, America, makes no definite statement of her demands.

"Excelsior" says the delay of six months or a year in reaching an agreement would be a lesser evil than disaster, which is possible if France undertakes obligations she was incapable of fulfilling, without taking out of the ranks of the great nations.

DRUG CONFERENCE.

CHINESE GUNBOATS. TRANSPORT OPIUM.

JAPAN AND MANUFACTURE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, August 27.

The morning session of the Advisory Committee on Opium was chiefly devoted to a discussion of the subject of Indian hemp. At the afternoon's session, replying to Sir Malcolm Delevingne's remarks alleging that a large scale manufacture of cocaine was going on in Japan, a big quantity of which must remain on balance, large supplies finding their way to other countries, and therefore not required by local consumption.

Mr. Tsurumi, of Japan, declared that the Government would investigate the matter and if the statement was proved, would reduce the manufacture.

He further stated that the production of cocaine and heroin was confined to medical and scientific purposes.

The question of anti-drug propaganda raised an interesting discussion, resulting in the Committee agreeing that propaganda was more harmful than otherwise.

Sir John Jordan, referring to present-day difficulties of securing fuller information of the cultivation of opium in China, said that Chinese gunboats, instead of seizing opium, were employed in transporting it.

In regard to the Canadian-American Treaty for extradition in respect of offences against Drug Laws, the Committee decided to draw the attention of the League Council with a view to similar treaties with other Powers.

Sir Delevingne said the question of a similar Anglo-American Treaty would presently be considered by the British Government.

ALLIES CONVICTION.

GERMANY AND THE LEAGUE.

FRANCE'S EARNEST HOPE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 26.

The text of the French reply to the German Note of July 26, on the subject of security, which has now been published, reiterates the declaration of the French Note of July 16 that the Security Pact cannot affect the provisions of the Treaty Peace relative to the occupation of the Rhine land. France and the Allies are convinced, that Germany's entry into the League of Nations is the only solid basis of a mutual guarantee and European agreement, but Germany must enter on the same conditions as other nations, and the Allies are not qualified to discuss the conditions of Germany's entry which the Council of the League decided.

Referring to German reservations that arbitral conventions be concluded with Germany and her neighbours, the reply emphasises the primary object of the allies is to render a fresh resort to force impossible therefore compulsory arbitration is an indispensable condition of any Pact. The reply concludes by dwelling on the difficulties and delays involved in the exchange of Notes, and therefore, invites Germany to enter negotiations, earnestly trusting they may result in the conclusion of a definitive treaty.

SEAMEN'S STRIKE.

DEPORTATION ORDERS MADE.

RAILWAYMEN THREATEN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, August 27.

Deportation summonses are being issued against four persons connected with the Seamen's strike.

Two hundred and sixty-six thousand tons of British shipping are now idle in Australian ports. The Governments of Tasmania, Victoria and South Australia, replying to Mr. Stanley Bruce's request, have promised to take necessary steps to protect seamen remaining loyal to agreements.

A general railway strike is threatened at Brisbane on the 31st inst. unless a demand is met for the restoration of the recent five per cent. reduction in wages.

PINEDO'S FLIGHT.

ARRIVAL IN MANILA THIS MORNING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Manila, August 27.

Major Pinedo on his flight to Japan arrived here this morning at 8.20.

CORRESPONDENCE.

VOLUNTEER WORKERS.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—Permit me to insert the following letter in your valuable columns:—

The maintaining of the schedule of the Empress Liners is one of worthy note in that the majority of volunteers were assembled locally and who had not the slightest inclination with regard to the conditions in the capacity for which they were engaged. In connection with the voyage of the Empress of Canada, it may be mentioned that from the very outset the Volunteers proved very capable of handling their respective duties in spite of being severely handicapped by reason of a shortage in staff in various departments, although, however, the opinion of passengers both on the Homeward and voyages were exceedingly grateful to the manner in which the crew carried out their duties, and I for one endorse the opinion that every credit is due to them. There may be a time when their services may be called upon again in which case there will be cause for anxiety to replace those who consider themselves indispensable as our friends, the Chinese thought in the beginning.

Yours, etc.,

RESIDENT.

Hongkong, August 27.

FILMS AND FACTS.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—It is always dangerous, even in the interest of truth, to disturb the traditions that cluster around romance, but it is equally dangerous to disturb truth in the interest of romance.—Frederick Orin Bartlett.

The above quotation will, I hope, serve as sufficient apology for my encroaching on your valuable columns.

As a compatriot and admirer of the hero, it was with no little interest and enthusiasm that I crossed over to Kowloon the other night to see the film version of the life of the world famous Persian poet, astronomer and philosopher Omar Khayyam (the Tent-maker) at the Star Cinema, little suspecting the utter disappointment which was to be my ultimate fate.

I am not concerned here with the quality of the acting, of the various personages or the artistic values of the scenery, though I consider both of these to have been quite good. What I wish to point out is that those who are responsible for the production of this film have shown an utter disregard for historical facts. They seem to have absolutely forgotten that they were dealing not with mere beings of the imagination but with real men who actually lived, did great things and left their mark on the world.

I will now enumerate briefly some of the incidents of the film version which are not supported by history and by the various biographies of Omar's life and in doing so I have no other purpose but that of endeavouring to prevent some of our readers who have seen the film from carrying with them some wrong impressions concerning Persian History, and the life of this great astronomer-poet of Persia.

(1) That Omar fell in love and eloped with his Professor's daughter is pure fiction. In fact

history does not even mention whether he married at all.

(2) Hassan Sabbah, one of Omar's two old school-friends, never turned out the common robber and cut-throat that he is represented in the film and he was never appointed to the Governorship of Naischapur. As a matter of fact he was an exceedingly clever man, though rather too ambitious, was given some post by the Nizamul Mulk at the Royal Court in consequence of their old pledge, intrigued against his patron, lost his post, fled from the Court and founded the fanatical religious set known as the Ismailians. There is also nothing in history to show that he ever persecuted Omar with whom he was always on the best of terms, though it was at the hands of one of Hassan's followers that the great Nizamul Mulk met with his death.

(3) That the contemporary monarch, Alap Arsalan, stole the lawfully wedded wife of one of his highly-honoured subjects is a great calumny on one of the greatest rulers of Persia whose extraordinary bravery won for him the title of Arsalan, the Lion, and to whom and his immediate successors Persian literature owes so much.

Yours, etc.,

TRUTH FIRST.

Hongkong, August 26, 1925.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

PEAK CLUB.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

A THIRD FLANNEL DANCE will be held at the Club on SATURDAY, August 29th, from 9.30 p.m. to 12 (Midnight) sharp. Tickets for Members and Friends—\$1.50 each.

Lat: Peak Tram at 12.30 a.m.

F. C. HALL.

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1925.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

The Fifth Yearly Drawing of Debentures (1920 issue—\$500 each) of the Hongkong Club. Payable on WEDNESDAY, the 30th September, 1925, will be held in the Club House, at 11 o'clock, a.m., on TUESDAY, the 8th September, 1925.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The return of notifiable disease for the 24 hours ended Sunday, show one case of enteric fever, and one case of paratyphoid fever—both Chinese.

It was stated of a motorist defendant at Willemsen that the police directed him up a side turning because part of the main road was up, and that the man's reply was, "You can go to hell!" Defendant: "I didn't tell him to go there!" The Clerk: "It doesn't matter; he didn't go."

Many who have visited Rome have admired, in the Sixtine Chapel, the wonderful fresco of "The Last Judgment," painted by Michel Angelo nearly 400 years ago. It has been the goal of every artist, but few ever suspected that hidden in the great fresco was a self-portrait of the painter. Prof. Francesco La Cava, an eminent professor of the University of Rome, made this discovery but did not divulge it until he had obtained sufficient proof from contemporary documents to corroborate his find. In Michel Angelo's time it was quite a custom for painters to introduce their likeness in a picture or to paint the face of some enemy in an unpleasant guise.

The Italians are justly proud of the brilliant success achieved by their armmen in distant lands and shores. The Marquis de Pinedo's flight to Australia and Japan is a remarkable accomplishment, and the tributes paid to him by the world's press are much appreciated here. Not least important has been the cruise of two Italian airships to Spain and southern France which covered about 1,600 miles in a little over twenty-four hours. As a result of this flight it is believed that an aerial service between Rome and Barcelona may soon be established, as the distance can be easily covered in ten hours. Another squadron commanded by Captain Ferrarini, who five years ago flew from Rome to Tokyo, has also visited Great Britain and Belgium. These demonstration flights are no doubt the best sign of the great progress of Italian aviation in recent years.

Millions of pounds worth of goods have been dumped by foreign manufacturers into England by aeroplanes to avoid the 33-1-3 per cent. Budget duties which are now in force. The sky has literally rained down silk stockings and gold watches on Croydon.

A curious incident occurred on board the British steamer "Davongsee" when that vessel was two days out of Singapore on a voyage from Haiphong. A Chinese seaman died, and when the captain proposed to follow the usual course, and bury the body at sea, the Chinese crew raised such strong opposition that the body had to be kept for two days until the ship arrived at Singapore, when the burial was performed on land.

The Moscow newsboys who sell the city's sole evening paper have acquired the habit of some of their colleagues in other countries of shouting the most sensational tidings as a means of persuading people to buy their wares. Anything in the nature of an untoward incident or a political disturbance abroad is loudly heralded. New scales of room rents are likely to be shouted from the house-tops. "Speech of Comrade Trotsky" is also a favourite cry of the newsboys; even though sometimes a diligent search of the paper fails to reveal any such speech.

The bath-chair men at the Wembley Exposition are bemoaning the absence of Americans from this year's attendance. Last year 100 bath-chair men prospered at the exhibition; now there are fifty, and they are having trouble in taking in enough money to pay the rent of the chairs. The difficulty, they say, is that the English have not acquired the American bath chair habit. "In Atlantic City," said one bath-chair man, "there are 200 bath-chairs, and Americans, young and old, ill or well, patronize them." Bath-chairs are so named, however, from the English city Bath, where the chairs first came into use and are still to be seen in large numbers.

John Harrington, a florist's assistant of Eastney, whose neck was broken last October, when a large piece of masonry fell on his head, has been successfully treated at Portsmouth Hospital. He hopes shortly to return to his work.

A party of British public and secondary school teachers are to visit Canada in August, and an attractive programme is being arranged for them by the Overseas Education League. The trip will include visits to Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Niagara Falls, the Great Lakes, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary, Edmonton, Banff, Lake Louise, Vancouver, and Victoria. On arriving at Quebec, the visitors will be entertained by the chancellor of McGill University, who will give a banquet in the Chateau Frontenac, at which the Prime Minister of Canada has been invited to be present. In the other places to be visited civic receptions and hospitality will be provided, and the party will see agricultural settlements, Canadian schools and colleges, lumber mills, factories, and mining camps. The party will travel across Canada in a special train.

Beethoven brought the top prices of Sotheby's sale of the musical manuscripts and autographs collected by Henry Schlesinger, the music publisher of the first half of the nineteenth century. The item to attract the liveliest bidding was Beethoven's Opus 129 which bore the title, written by Schindler, "Fury Over a Lost Penny, Vented in Caprice." Autographed manuscripts by Beethoven are not to be found every day, and this example, sold for £350. A Beethoven letter brought £60. An unusually fine manuscript of Chopin's Nocturne, Opus 62, No. 1, with the signed dedication to Mlle. R. de Komeriz, sold for £200. Other items which brought good prices were Liszt's "Reminiscences of Don Juan" with the presentation inscription to Schlesinger, £70; a Meyerbeer manuscript, £55 and a Weber duet, £50. The collection included compositions by Mendelssohn, Verdi, Wagner, Berlioz and Cherubini.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The promotion to the rank of Captain is gazetted of Lieut. R. C. Chalmers, R.E.

Mr. F. V. Boardman, of the Telephone Co., Singapore, is authorised to file a specification of an invention for a "combined spout and cup-hanger for collecting latex."

Miss Isabel MacDonald, the ex-Premier's eldest daughter, having completed her course of study in Domestic Science, is spending all her time in social work in the East End, especially Bow and Poplar. Whether this is intended to be the prelude to a political career or not remains to be seen. A few months ago she certainly did not seem particularly anxious to seek Parliamentary honours. "I have never even thought of becoming a candidate," she said "though," she added, "inasmuch as I am a woman, I suppose I am entitled to change my mind."

Cardinal Gasquet, Librarian at the Vatican, who is visiting England, has said: "Queen Mary is a model example to the women of England. She dresses beautifully, and looks more beautifully feminine than any of these modern women. 'I can't understand why the Queen tolerates at functions like the Royal Garden Party, women dressed, or, rather, undressed, in the scantiest clothes. I fail to see what further clothing women can discard. 'If they went without clothes they would be less repugnant to people of good taste. There is more suggestion about the flimsy clothing that is worn than there would be in complete nudity."

M. Podewski speaking at the London Press Club told the following amusing story:—A Frenchman, an Englishman, a German, and a Pole competed for a prize for the best essay on the elephant. The Frenchman went to the Zoo, and in six weeks produced a volume entitled "L'Amour d'Elephant." The Englishman bought a hunting coat, saw thousands of the animals in South Africa and India, shot not a few, and in six months produced a book called "The Elephant." The German visited all the libraries and, several years later, published two volumes, "Introduction to a Monograph on the Elephant." The Pole was as swift as the Frenchman, but he called his efforts, "The Elephant and the Polish Question."

Capt. E. Hall, C.M.A., proceeded to north China on inspection duty on August 20, on board the s.s. "Narkunda."

Lieut.-Commander Kenworthy, M.P., seeing the Ostend lifeguards hesitate when three women bathers were in difficulties in a rough sea, donned a lifeline, and rescued two of the women. The third was drowned.

"What a ghastly thing," exclaimed the Duke of York when shown a portrait of himself on a Newfoundland postage stamp at Wembley. The stamp was one of a Coronation issue dated 1911, and with a face value of four cents. It is now obsolete, and the complete set is worth more than half a guinea. The Duke is shown wearing an Eton collar, a white tie and a light waistcoat, and though he appeared to find it difficult to believe it was his own portrait, the picture is certainly that of an attractive-looking boy. "That portrait was taken in 1908," said the Duke. "I seem to have changed pretty considerably since then." The complete issue, which is sought after by collectors, gives a good idea of the appearance of the Royal family at that period.



The vacation of John Coolidge, son of the President, is being spent doing chores around the home of his grandfather. But he is helping to shingle the roof.

Mr. Noel Modder, who has been planting in Pahang during the past few years, has just accepted an appointment in Johore.

It is possible that the Duke of York may succeed the Earl of Athlone when his tenure as Governor-General of South Africa terminates.

Heaven's! said an American woman, looking at the traffic jam in the Strand. "This must be one of the sights of London. Every time I come to Yarrup the roads are up."

Mr. J. H. Thomas, interviewed at Derby, said he could neither deny nor confirm the statement that he was in negotiation for the purchase of "Reynolds' Illustrated News." He admitted, however, that he intended to purchase a journal. When asked if it would be a weekly or a daily, he said, "I cannot say, but I am going to buy some newspaper."

There is only one British subject who can mimic the King to his face with impunity. It is George, the three-year-old son of Princess Mary. He is developing into a brilliant little mimic, and has recently been keeping his Majesty amused for hours by his imitations of various members of the Royal Family. His particular favourite is to say, "No, don't do that," like his mother. She has frequently had to say it of late.

This is a pen-picture of Dr. W. B. Gye, whose researches into the cause of cancer have just brought him fame, by a personal friend: Only forty, of middle height, spare, with the head and face of a student; proud of the humble circumstances from which he came; modest to a fault; lucid and convincing in the statement of a case; enthusiastic in medical research; years ago nearly a Labour candidate for a Midland division, and still holds Labour views.

Green notepaper is the latest craze of the fashionable woman, and it is a fashion which shows very vividly how the every-day things of life have changed during the last few years. Time was when some of the self-same ladies who are now writing upon sheets of green paper would not have dreamed of having the same in their home—let alone upon their writing table. That was when coloured notepaper was among "the impossible things," it is impossible no longer.

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"KIDDERPORE"	5,534	18th Sept.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"NARKUNDA"	15,927	24th Sept.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"JEYPORE"	5,818	30th Sept.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,534	6th Oct.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"NARKUNDA"	15,927	13th Oct.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"JEYPORE"	5,818	20th Oct.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,534	27th Oct.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"NARKUNDA"	15,927	3rd Nov.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"JEYPORE"	5,818	10th Nov.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,534	17th Nov.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"NARKUNDA"	15,927	24th Nov.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"JEYPORE"	5,818	1st Dec.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,534	8th Dec.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"NARKUNDA"	15,927	15th Dec.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"JEYPORE"	5,818	22nd Dec.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,534	29th Dec.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"NARKUNDA"	15,927	5th Jan.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"JEYPORE"	5,818	12th Jan.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,534	19th Jan.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"NARKUNDA"	15,927	26th Jan.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"JEYPORE"	5,818	2nd Feb.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,534	9th Feb.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"NARKUNDA"	15,927	16th Feb.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"JEYPORE"	5,818	23rd Feb.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KIDDERPORE"	5,534	1st Mar.	Marshall, Penang, Colbo & Bombay

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S. S.	Tons	FROM HONGKONG (1925)	DESTINATION
"TILAWA"	10,008	2nd Sept.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALABA"	9,718	9th Sept.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

WESTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S. S.	Tons	FROM HONGKONG (1925)	DESTINATION
"TALABA"	9,718	2nd Sept.	Wellington, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Melbourne, Sydney and Melbourne
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"TILAWA"	10,008	7th Oct.	Wellington, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Melbourne, Sydney and Melbourne
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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

S. S.	Tons	FROM HONGKONG (1925)	DESTINATION
"NAGPORE"	5,583	23rd Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,129	29th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILAWA"	10,008	5th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,129	12th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILAWA"	10,008	19th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,129	26th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILAWA"	10,008	3rd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,129	10th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TILAWA"	10,008	17th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMA"	9,129	24th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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"KARMA"	9,129	7th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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"KARMA"	9,129	5th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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"KARMA"	9,129	19th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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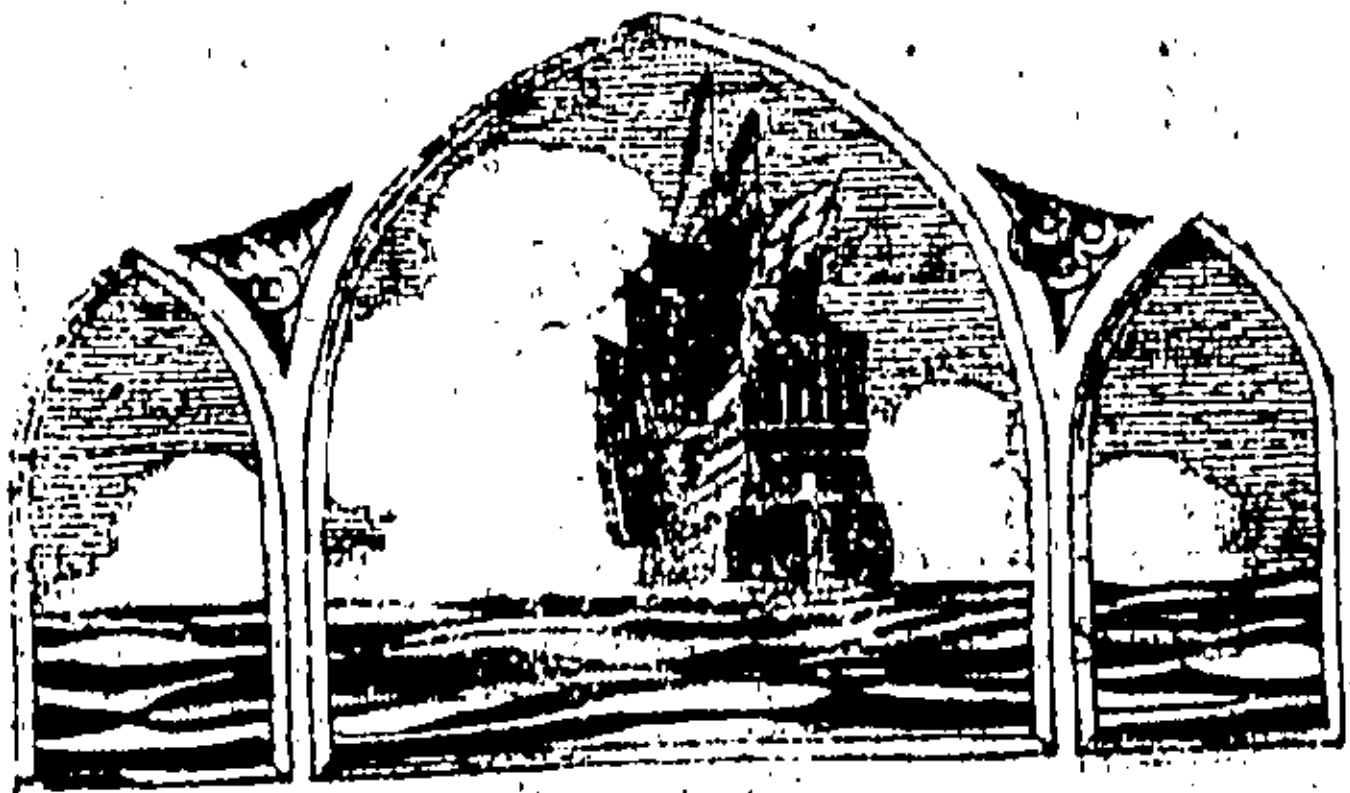
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It is so cold in the beef room of one Chicago's stockyards plants that Tony Curles, an employee, appreciated the act of kindness when Miss Sonia Salene, protected against chill by a fur coat, brought him a steaming cup of coffee.



ABOVE: BENITO MUSSOLINI & GABRIELLE D'ANNUNZIO
BELOW: GROVER C. BEECHER & ELBERT H. GARY

Benito Mussolini is said to have picked Gabrielle D'Annunzio to succeed him as Italian Premier, a change which the Fascist Premier's ill-health is believed to have made imperative. Grover Cleveland Baggott, most famous war-time slacker, will not be included in the list of those draft-dodging cases which are being stiken from the records, it was announced at Washington. Elbert Gary, steel magnate was a patient at employees' hospital at Birmingham, taking a diet treatment.

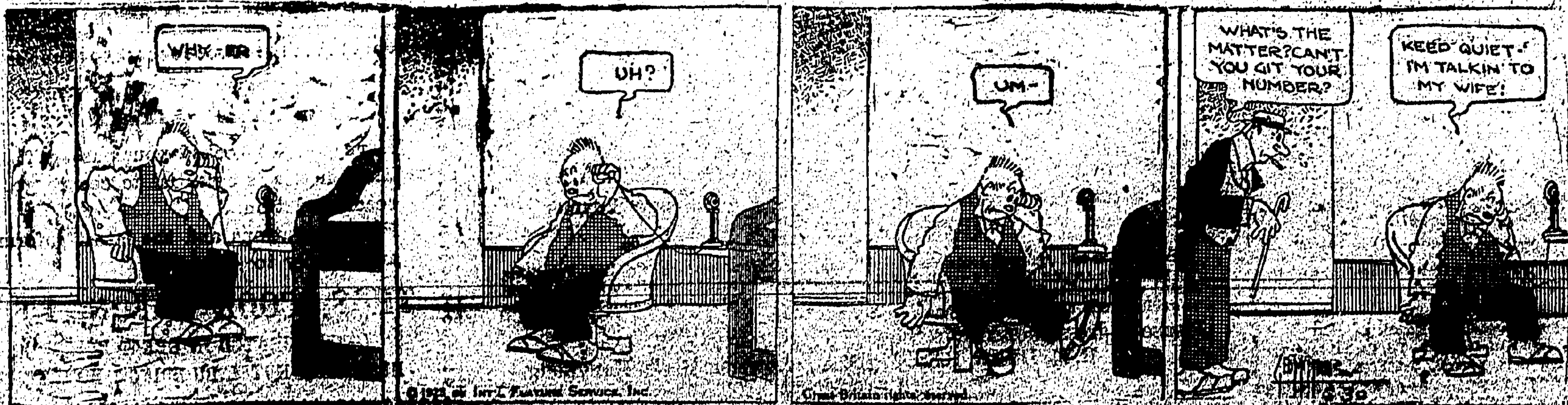


Dr. Thomas Young (seated on left) was photographed as he told his prosecutors of the remarkable killing of his wife, Mrs. Grace Young, whose fortune he hoped to acquire. He "put her to sleep" with dental gas and encased her body in cement.



Theodore Haefner, three years old, fell out of the window of his room on the fifth floor of a hotel, sixty-five feet to the street, as indicated by diagram. Employees who picked him out of a flower bed rushed him to a hospital, where he was pronounced unhurt.

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Brookline, August 26.

In the national doubles lawn tennis championships, Vincent Richards and Williams (U.S.A.) defeated Manuel Alonso and Flaqueur (Spain), 6-1, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.

(Earlier Cable.)

Tilden and Wiener beat Decugis and Brugnon (France), 6-1, 1-6, 6-4, 6-2, and the Texan couple White and Thalheimer defeated Lacoste and Borotra (France), 7-5, 3-6, 6-3, 5-7, 6-4.

"BIG" LEAGUES.

AMERICAN BASEBALL STANDINGS.

GIANTS STILL SECOND.

The standings in the "big leagues" of U. S. baseball on August 26 were:

National League.

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Pittsburgh ... 66 43 606

New York ... 67 48 583

Cincinnati ... 60 54 526

St. Louis ... 56 59 487

Brooklyn ... 52 58 473

Philadelphia ... 50 60 454

Chicago ... 48 64 429

Boston ... 49 67 422

American League.

W. L. Pct.

Philadelphia ... 72 38 655

Washington ... 71 41 634

Chicago ... 61 52 540

Detroit ... 56 57 496

St. Louis ... 51 58 468

Cleveland ... 52 65 444

New York ... 49 62 441

Boston ... 35 77 312

KOWLOON GOLF.

CLUB'S SUMMER CUP COMPETITION.

The draw for the Kowloon Golf Club's Summer Cup competition is:

E. A. Beaumont v. E. A. Baker;

Rosa; S. J. Jordan v. A. J. Baker;

T. E. Jones v. A. Brooksbank; W.

Patonson v. B. Petheram; A. A.

Lopes v. R. Meldrum; W. J.

Carroll v. J. Bottomley; J. H.

Gelling v. I. B. Trevor; K. S.

Robertson v. F. X. Remedios;

J. D. Thomson v. F. Oliver;

A. C. S. Burford v. F. E.

Remedios; A. W. Brown v. V.

Goulborne; A. W. Roberts v. V. C.

Labrum.

The best 16 cards, medal play

(less handicaps) will qualify for

the first round. Those drawn for

have to be played off by September

14.

TYPHOONS.

TO-DAY'S WARNING FROM MANILA.

The American Consulate-General has received the following cablegram from Manila:

Received to-day at 11.10 a.m.:

Cyclone or typhoon east of

northern Formosa moving

W.N.W.

The typhoon signal has been

hoisted.

An earlier message to the

American Consulate-General

read:

Received at 8 p.m. yesterday:

Cyclone or typhoon S. or

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HONGKONG'S IMMUNITY.

Cholera epidemics can in most cases be traced to contaminated water and it is doubtless due to the purity of the local water supply and the facilities afforded for drawing that water to all sections of the community that Hongkong, as testified to by the health returns, has experienced only one case of cholera in the last two years or so (that one imported).

Shanghai is not so fortunate, for the Commissioner of Public Health there, Dr. C. N. Davis, interviewed by a local newspaper, spoke of the yearly outbreak in Shanghai when infected persons come into the settlement for treatment from all parts of Shanghai, including the French Concession, Chapel and Nantao. The interview concerned the "alleged menacing epidemic of cholera at present prevailing in Shanghai."

Since the epidemic started, states a Chinese doctor in Shanghai, there have been to date 72 deaths out of around 700 confirmed cases. It was his opinion that the epidemic could be more effectively countered if the health authorities, foreign and Chinese, co-operated. He acknowledged appreciation of the action of the Municipal health authorities in throwing open part of the Range Road Isolation Hospital for overflow cholera cases and said that it would prove very helpful in dealing with the outbreak.

In the interview already mentioned, the Commissioner of Public Health for Shanghai said that cholera epidemics were not likely to be eradicated while sanitary arrangements in the Chinese parts of the city were so inadequate and while the continued warnings by the Municipal Council were ignored. The only way to fight cholera, continued the doctor, was to sterilize all fresh fruits and vegetables, filter all drinking water, and keep flies away from food. The present situation, he added, was not serious or unprecedented.

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Canada, U.S.A. Japan Shanghai & Europe via Siberia (London 7th Aug.) ... 7.15 a.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28.

EUROPE via Noregapan (Letters only, London 30th July.) ... 10.30 a.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 31.

Japan ... 1 p.m.

Manila ... 2 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3.

U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai ... 5 p.m.

OUTWARD MAILS.

To THURSDAY, AUGUST 27.

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Japan ... 10.30 a.m.

Singapore ... 12.30 p.m.

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